

Dr Julia Nicholls Memorial

Dr Julia Mary Nicholls OAM 20/2/52 – 24/10/2018

Dr Julia Nicholls was a member of FASA from 1979, in its early days as an association. She was much appreciated for her knowledge and expertise with all things cat, in her capacity as a veterinary surgeon.

Julia's specific passion was Burmese cats, with a focus on creams and torties, and she proudly bred these beautiful cats under her Minnaloushe prefix.

Although very busy in her service to many organisations, as well as running her own clinic, Julia was tirelessly devoted to the Cat Fancy in Australia. She held many positions over the years, including FASA President, Vice President, Breeds and Standards Coordinator and All Breeds Tutor Judge. Her time spent training judges and advising breeders is invaluable and appreciated beyond measure.

Julia was a strong advocate of the Feline Health Research Foundation, operating as a trustee. She was a valued and active member of the Coordinating Cat Council of Australia, contributing much to breed, standards and welfare issues.

Julia was awarded an OAM in 2017 and held other honours, including a Fellowship of the Australian Veterinary Association where she was President for 5 years. Her full accomplishments are OAM, BVMS, Ph.D, MANZCVS (Feline Medicine) and GAICD. Locally, Julia's final gift to FASA was in collaborating in training three new judges, working tirelessly till the end. She was (and is) still sorely missed by the cat fancy as a whole.

